Liber M M Philip Shapleigh agt

John Steward

The Defendt having appeared by Vincent Lowe his Attorney who will pleade in time to Come to tryall next Court.

Philip Shapleigh agt Called John Brookes late of Dorchester County otherwise Called John Brookes of Dorchester County Chirur-John Brookes gion was sumoned to answere unto Philip Shapleigh & Joyce his wife Executrix of the goods & Chattells of Daniel Holland Deceased in a plea that he Rendr unto them the Sume of One Thowsand six hundred Seaventy Two pounds of Tobacco wch from them he unjustly Deteineth.

And whereupon the said Philip and Joyce by Kenelm Chiseldyne their Attorney saith that whereas the said John Brookes the thirteenth day of ffebruary in ve yeare of our Lord 1671. by his Certeine writing obligatory sealed wth the seale of the said John here in Court pduced whose date is the same day and yeare abovewritten did binde himself his heires Executors Admrs to pay or Cause to be payd unto the said Daniel Holland of the same County his heires Executors Adm<sup>rs</sup> the full & Just sume of One Thowsand six hundred seaventy Two pounds of Tobacco in Caske according to act of Assembly due to be payd according to act of Assembly the last of November next Ensueing the date hereof at some Convenient place in the abovesd County Notwth standing went the said John Brookes the sd sume of 1672<sup>t</sup> of Tob according to the Tenor of the sd bill hath not payd though often thereunto Required to the sd Daniel Holland while he was living nor to the said Joyce whilst she was sole nor to the sd Philip and Joyce since Espowsalls but the same to pay altogether Denyes to the Damage of the sd Philip & Joyce 3000<sup>t</sup> Tob. & thereupon they bring their suite. and the sd Philip and Joyce bringeth also here in Court the Lres Testamentary of the sd Daniel that it may appeare to the Court here that she is Executrix of the same & thereupon hath Admcon.

And the said John by Robert Carvile his Attorney Cometh & Defendeth the force & injury when &c & prayeth the hearing of the writing obligatory aforesd and it is Read unto him w<sup>ch</sup> being Read & heard he sayth that the said Philip & his wife ought not to have their accon ag<sup>t</sup> him for y<sup>t</sup> he saith that the said writing obligatory is not his act & Deed of this he puts himself upon the Judg<sup>t</sup> of the Co<sup>rt</sup> if the sd p<sup>lts</sup> their accon aforesd ought to have ag<sup>t</sup> him the sd John.

And now here at this day to wit y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> of ffeb: 1673. Came the said Philip & Joyce by the sd Kenelm their Attorney & offered themselves ag<sup>t</sup> the said John Brookes of & upon the p<sup>r</sup>mises & the said John Brookes appeared not but made Default wherefore it is Considered by the Co<sup>rt</sup> here that the sd Philip & Joyce Recover ag<sup>t</sup> the sd John Brookes as well the sd sume of One Thowsand six hundred